

Mollusks:

ROUTINE Interceptions of Terrestrial Snails Except for Giant African Snails (*Achatina* and *Archachatina* spp) and Slugs except for Tropical Slugs (Veronicellidae)

1. Place the mollusk in a vial or specimen bottle of water.
2. Hold the vial or specimen bottle under water and seal, making sure that no air bubbles remain inside the container.
3. Put the container containing the specimen in a cool place until the mollusk has relaxed (has died and is fully extended). This relaxation will take between 12 and 24 hours.
4. Transfer the relaxed mollusk to 70% ethanol.
5. Submit the specimen for identification.

ROUTINE Interceptions of Giant African Snails (*Achatina* and *Archachatina* spp), Aquatic Snails, and Tropical Slugs (Veronicellidae)

Caution: Because of snail-borne parasitic diseases, wash your hands in hot soapy water or rinse them in a standard disinfectant after handling these mollusks.

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2. Submit the specimen for identification.

URGENT Interceptions of Terrestrial Snails Except for Giant African Snails (*Achatina* and *Archachatina* spp) and Slugs except for Tropical Slugs (*Veronicellidae*)

Shipped Monday through Thursday

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2. Hold the vial or specimen bottle under water and seal, making sure that no air bubbles remain inside the container.
3. **Overnight** the urgent interception for identification (the snail will have drowned in transit hence, there is no pest risk).

Shipped Friday through Sunday

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* If there is time, relax the specimen in water as described for routine interceptions.

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